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SUBJECT: REACTION TO SECRETARY BROWN'S FEB. 22 TESTIMONY ON  
KOREAN TROOP WITHDRAWALS

REF: TOKYO 2968

1. DESPITE HEAVY COVERAGE IN PRESS (REFTEL) AND EVENING TV NEWS OF SECRETARY BROWN'S FEB. 22 STATEMENT ON DISPATCH OF US FORCES STATIONED IN JAPAN IN EVENT OF EMERGENCY ON KOREAN PENINSULA, OFFICIAL GOJ REACTION HAS BEEN CALM. CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY ABE SHORTLY AFTER NEWS BROKE ISSUED STATEMENT TO EFFECT THAT SECDEF'S TESTIMONY DID NOT MEAN ANY CHANGE IN US-JAPAN SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, INCLUDING PRIOR CONSULTATION FORMULA. FONOFF SPOKESMAN IS QUOTED AS SAYING FEB. 23 THAT SECDEF'S STATEMENT MERELY EMPHASIZED FLEXIBLE OPERATION OF US FORCES IN WESTPAC AND IT DID NOT AFFECT PRIOR CONSULTATION SYSTEM UNDER MST. SPOKESMAN ALSO POINTED OUT NEED TO EMPHASIZE US CAPABILITY IN LIGHT OF ARGUMENTS IN US AGAINST GROUND TROOP WITHDRAWAL.

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2. FONOFF SECURITY DIVISION DIRECTOR TAMBA REACTED CALMLY TO BORWN TESTIMONY AND TOLD EMBOFF GOJ WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM HANDLING QUESTIONS ON IT IN DIET.  
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